

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Firelight Sweetheart.

She comes to me often and often,
As I sit by the grate alone,
My dear little firelight sweetheart,
With a face that is like your own.
She's beckoning there in the embers,
And saucily nodding her head,
In a flickering frock of crimson
And a tiny, wee tippet of red.

Those quivering, scarlet streamers
Are the ribbons she loves to wear;
And that radiant, glowing coronal
Is a poppy she put in her hair.
Can't you see her daintily brushing
That tossing, stray lock from her brow—
Down there where the coals are the
brightest.

Where that reddest one fell just now?
And now she is archly smiling,
As she regularly beckons again
In the door of a little red cottage
At the turn of a little red lane.
And now she has come to the window
Where a clambering flame-vine clings;
And the murmuring croon of the embers
Is a love song that she sings.

And ever and ever she cheers me
As I sit by the grate alone—
My dear little firelight sweetheart
With a face that is like your own.
As there in the dancing doorway
She saucily nods her head
In a flickering frock of crimson
And a tiny, wee tippet of red.
—Maurice Shulley, in New York Tribune.

Shore—Pierce.

Miss Louie F. Pierce and Mr. John J. Shore were married Wednesday afternoon, at the home of the bride's aunt, Miss Page Fitzgerald, No. 107 North Third Street, at 2 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Russell Cecil, of the Second Presbyterian Church, officiating.

The bride wore a handsome traveling suit of brown broadcloth, with hat and gloves to match, and carried a large bouquet of white roses. The groom wore a tuxedo and carried a small bouquet. The ceremony was a simple one, and the wedding party consisted of the bride, groom, best man, and bridesmaid.

Fife—Reynolds.

Dr. James D. Fife, assistant surgeon in the United States army, who is now stationed in the Philippines, will be married on December 25th, at Manila to Miss Catherine Ruth Reynolds, of Buffalo, N. Y., now residing in Manila. Dr. Fife is the son of Mr. Robert H. Fife, of Charlottesville, Va., and the brother of Dr. R. H. Fife, now of Wesleyan University, Conn. His many friends here will be interested in hearing of his approaching wedding.

Pitt—Norris.

Miss Sarah Robinson Norris, of Baltimore, and Mr. William James Pitt, the son of Mr. R. Pitt, of Norfolk, Va., will be married this afternoon at the rectory of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, Md. Mr. George W. Fivash, of Norfolk, will be the best man.

Miss Norris was originally from Harper's Ferry, but has been living in Baltimore for some time. Mr. Pitt is with the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Company, in Baltimore.

Millner—Brauer.

Miss Mary June Brauer and Mr. Joseph Millner were married last evening, in the home of the bride's parents, No. 222 West Franklin Street, by the Rev. Dr. E. N. Calsch.

The house was decorated with palms and white candelabra and the music included the wedding chorus from Lohengrin. The bride, who entered in the arm of her father, was very handsome in an elegant white crepe de chine wedding gown, draped in the folds of her filmy tulle veil.

An informal reception followed the ceremony. The bride's cake was cut and the health of the bride and groom was drunk by their many friends. After receiving congratulations and good wishes, Mr. and Mrs. Millner left for a trip North, and on their return will be at home to their friends at No. 1001 East Marshall Street.

The guests at the wedding were Mr. Charles Millner, father of the groom; Miss Miriam Millner and Mrs. W. A. Hirst, sisters of the groom; Miss Amelia Millner, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hutzler, Mrs. J. J. Michelbacher, Mr. Nathan Michelbacher, Miss Adeline Michelbacher, Miss Fannie Michelbacher, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bendheim, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Asher, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cohen, Mrs. Moses Millner, Mr. Gustavus Millner, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Strauss, and Mrs. E. N. Calsch, Mr. and Mrs. H. Brauer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Samuel Brauer, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Brauer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brauer, Mr. and Mrs. John Brauer, Mrs. Christina Mitchell, Mr. Eugene Brinkley, Miss Edie Brauer, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Lively, Miss Edith Syde, Mr. Robert Brauer, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Schloss, Mrs. Priscilla Harris, Mr. Philip Harris, Miss Flora Chase, of New York; Mrs. Seymour Samuels and Mrs. Nathan Coleman, of Savannah, Ga.

Messick—Evans.

The announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Clara Evans to Mr. J. W. Messick, of Messick's, York county, Va., the ceremony to take place in

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POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Professor Charles Elliot Norton.

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THE NEVERMORE.

By DANTE GABRIEL ROSSETTI.

Other selections from this writer, his portrait and biographical sketch have already been printed in this series.



LOOK in my face; my name is Might Have Been;
I am also called No More, Too Late, Farewell;
Unto thine ear I hold the dead seashell
Cast up thy life's foam-crested feet between;
Unto thine eyes the glass where that is seen
Which had Life's form and Love's, but by my spell
Is now a shaken shadow intolerable,
Of ultimate things unuttered the frail screen.
Mark me, how still I am! But should there dart
One moment through my soul the soft surprise
Of that winged Peace which lulls the breath of sighs,
Then shalt thou see me smile, and turn apart
Thy visage to mine ambush at thy heart
Sleepless with cold, commemorative eyes.



This series began in The Times-Dispatch Sunday, October 11, 1903. One is published each day

Trinity Church, Pequotson, on Saturday.

December 17th. Miss Rhoda Rollins will be the maid of honor, and Mr. Thomas Evans, brother of the bride-elect, will act as best man. Miss Olivia Evans, Miss Marie Robinson, and Miss Elizabeth Watkins will be bridesmaids, and the groomsmen will be Mr. Edward Hopkins, Benjamin Gulon, and Mr. Robert L. Forrest, Jr.

After the ceremony a wedding dinner will be given the bridal party.

The Jefferson Bowl.

Hon. William J. Bryan has just come into possession of a white marble punch bowl, that formerly belonged to Thomas Jefferson, and that once rested on the sideboard at Monticello.

For seventy-five years after Jefferson's death, the bowl was the property of Virginia, and it was from Dr. J. M. Scott, of Culpeper, Va., that Mr. Bryan purchased the bowl, to add to his collection of Jeffersonian relics.

The bowl, which was hewn out of Virginia white marble, weighs about 109 pounds. Two rudely carved handles stand at right angles to each other, and the bowl is filled with a network of veins of gold like a potato masher of ancient design.

The bowl bears a certificate of its authenticity, an old parchment signed by Mrs. Agnes Thurman, of Albemarle county, Va., which says that the bowl was once the property of Mr. Jefferson, and was purchased by her husband, John Rogers, at the big vendue at Monticello, after Mr. Jefferson's death, in 1825.

The bowl first attracted Mr. Bryan's attention some years ago, when he was in Virginia, and was given a reception at the home of Judge Grimesley. The bowl was then filled with lemonade and at once impressed Mr. Bryan by its age. On finding that it had once belonged to Thomas Jefferson, Mr. Bryan determined to some day become its owner. The bowl now occupies a place of state upon an oak table in the hall at "Fairview," Mr. Bryan's home, and above it hangs a splendid portrait of Mr. Jefferson.

The Norfolk Bazaar.

The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot of yesterday says in regard to the success of the recently held Confederate bazaar in that city:

"We hope the total net receipts from the bazaar of the Southern States will aggregate \$1500," said Mrs. Charles G. Elliott, president of Pickett-Buchanan Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, yesterday. The statement was made at the close of a meeting of the chapter, at which a number of reports from the various booths were received. "The total receipts so far reported," Mrs. Elliott continued, "show a clear balance of about \$1500 above expenses of \$241. There are still a number of articles to be raffled, and the return from these will anticipate, will bring the profit up to about \$1500."

The Texas booth, over which Mrs.

Dr. Starke Sutton presided, was the banner booth of the bazaar, turning in over \$500. The Louisiana booth, of which Mrs. W. W. Old was in charge, netted about \$250. We are delighted with our success, and want to express our thanks to all who in any way contributed to it."

Other members of the chapter expressed themselves in much the same vein as did Mrs. Elliott, rejoicing that they have raised such a splendid sum toward the completion of the shaft erected in Commercial Place to commemorate the heroes who gave up their lives for the cause they loved.

The meeting this week of the Daughters was a most felicitous one. Aside from the gratifying reports in regard to the bazaar, resolutions thanking Hope-Maury Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, for their efforts in behalf of the bazaar, besides assisting in many ways, were adopted. Hope-Maury Chapter, besides assisting in many ways, donated a handsome picture of three Confederate flags, which was raffled and won by Mrs. T. A. Jones. At the meeting this picture was presented by Mrs. Jones to Pickett-Buchanan Chapter, and will be placed on the wall of the chapter room.

Another gratifying incident of the meeting was the receipt of a check for \$300 from the Howard Association, one of the oldest charitable institutions of the city. This amount was donated to the fund for the relief of the widows and orphans of Confederate veterans, one of the principal objects of the Daughters of the Confederacy being administering to the needs of this class.

Personal Mention.

Mrs. J. W. Elliott, of Newport News, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Doyle.

Mr. Carter Wellford, of Wellford's Wharf, is visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. J. E. Dunbar is spending some time with friends and relatives in Fredericksburg.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Courtney, who have been the guests of Mrs. M. Hill, in Charlottesville, have returned to the city.

Mr. Gordon Wallace is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Stansbury Wallace, at their home in Fredericksburg.

Miss Minnie Orvis, of Richmond, is the guest of Mrs. J. R. Hodges, in Danville.

The Rev. J. Ellington McGee, who has been in the city for a few days, has returned to his home in Portsmouth.

Mr. Garrett T. Wall is in Lynchburg for a few days.

Miss Daisy Burk is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Byrd, in Newport News, with whom she will spend the winter season.

Mrs. Samuel Waddill and Miss Emily Waddill have returned from several days' visit to Walkerton, King and Queen counties.

The Emma Andrews Whitist Club will meet on Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Charles Wortham, No. 111 East Grace Street.

Mr. Frank B. Guest, of New York, has purchased the handsome estate, "Snowden," near Fredericksburg, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Dave Clark. Mr. Guest was

for many years a resident near Fredericksburg, and has cherished a desire ever since to leave to own a home in or near Fredericksburg. This desire is consummated in the purchase of "Snowden."

Mrs. Nathaniel Whitehurst and Miss Julia Brody, who have been visiting friends in the city, have returned to their home in Portsmouth.

The Christmas sermon of the Lynchburg German Church will be given on Friday, December 16th.

COLD IN BUCKINGHAM.

Rabbits Came Around the Door Yards in Search of Food.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ARVONIA, VA., Dec. 14.—Last night was one of the coldest experienced here in several years, the thermometer going to seven degrees below zero, and remaining in that frigid neighborhood throughout the early morning.

Extreme cold weather has prevailed here since last Friday night, when the first snow began to fall. On Saturday night, after the storm had passed, the thermometer went down to zero, and Sunday night was also bitterly cold, and Monday another snow storm set in, with temperature down far below the freezing point. Last night capped the climax in low temperatures. If the air had not been exceedingly still there would have been much suffering among the poor people who live in open and badly constructed houses.

The uniform layer of snow, so closely packed to the ground, will no doubt cause the starvation of many birds and small game, unless the people will make an effort to feed them. The rabbits have already been forced out of their shelter to seek food close up around the houses. Their tracks this morning are everywhere about the kitchen doors and front doorways.

The immense slate quarries here have been almost if not quite idle since the snow storm set in. It is too cold for the slatemakers to handle steel instruments and too bad in the quarry holes to excavate. The slate quarries were the only ones that made an attempt to work to-day, and they with a depleted force of hands.

FIRE AT RAPIDAN.

The Davenport Brothers, Charged With Hume's Murder, Released.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ORANGE, VA., Dec. 14.—The large store of Mr. Larkin Willis, of Rapidan, was destroyed by fire last night. The fire was in a good way when discovered, and in a very short time the building was entirely consumed.

Some of the goods were saved, but in a damaged condition. The fire originated in the rear of the store, and is supposed to be the work of an incendiary. The building and stock were insured; loss about \$1000.

Two brothers named Davenport, who were arrested and brought here Saturday evening, charged with the murder of J. H. Hume, near Rhodesville, on the night of the election, gave bail of \$500 to appear for trial here next Monday, were released from jail yesterday.

It is said there is no evidence in the case that would lead to the conviction of the parties.

Mr. William Browning, for several years deputy clerk of the courts of this county, has resigned that position.

Cotton Exports.

(By Associated Press.) NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 14.—Cotton exports from New Orleans for the first one hundred days of the season have been 3,533,970 bales, against 3,013,156 last year. Exports to Great Britain for this period have been 1,763,828; to France, 374,324; to the continent, 1,370,818. The crop and the demands of England and the continent are given as the reasons for the increase in shipments from here.

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WEDDING DAY IN OLD VIRGINIA

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MISS ANDERSON THE BRIDE

Miss Willie E. Luck, of Caroline, Becomes Bride of Mr. John O. Chewning, of Spotsylvania.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FARMVILLE, VA., December 14.—Quite a pretty home marriage was celebrated this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. W. W. Anderson, when her daughter, Miss Laura Marks, became the bride of Mr. Hurl Stoddard Penn, of Nashville, Tenn.

The parlors were tastefully decorated with palms, evergreens and cut flowers, the large bay window being banked high with ferns and running cedar interspersed with American Beauty roses.

The ribbon girls entered the parlor first. They were Misses Sutherland, Martha Buss, Eloise Watkins and Mattie Leigh Griggs. Then came the groom with his best man, Mr. Henry W. Anderson, of Richmond, who is a brother of the bride, followed by the bride on the arm of her brother, Dr. William E. Anderson, and lastly the ring-bearer, Master Pettitt Venable.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. M. Maxey, of Union Station Methodist Episcopal Church, Richmond, assisted by Rev. J. B. Winn, of the Farmville Methodist Church.

The couple left on the 12:28 train for a western tour. On their return they will reside at Nashville.

Mrs. Penn is a daughter of Mrs. and the late Dr. W. W. Anderson, and a sister of Dr. W. E. Anderson, a prominent physician of this place, and of Mr. Henry W. Anderson, of the law firm of Munford, Hinton, Williams and Anderson, of Richmond. She is an especially gifted woman, whose staunch and brilliant qualities of heart and head bind her friends to her.

Mrs. Penn is the general secretary of the Associated Young Men's Christian Associations of Nashville. She is particularly bright and attractive and worthily fills his responsible position.

Slamps—Boxley. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) TREVILLIANS, VA., Dec. 14.—There was a very interesting and pretty marriage today, when Miss Mary Joseph Boxley, the daughter of Mr. Joseph J. Boxley, became the bride of Mr. Clarence Britton Slamps, a well known business man in the grain trade of Birmingham, Ala., at Berea Baptist Church, Louisiana county.

The ceremony was solemnized by Rev. C. C. Davis, the pastor of the bride. The happy couple left on the Chesapeake and Ohio noon train for an extensive trip East. They will make their home in Birmingham, Ala. The bride is one of Louisiana's most cultured and interesting ladies, and is a blonde or rare beauty.

Bowles—Parrish. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) KENT'S STORE, VA., Dec. 14.—A very pretty and quiet home wedding occurred in the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Parrish, near here, at 10 o'clock this morning, when their daughter, Miss Lillian Scott Parrish, became the bride of Mr. Spottwood P. Bowles, of Birmingham, Ala., brother of the bride, was her only attendant, and Mr. R. W. Bowles the best man. Rev. J. J. White, of the Baptist Church, performed the ceremony.

The bride is one of Fluvanna's most popular young ladies and a very pretty blonde. After the ceremony the couple left for a Northern trip, and will be at home to their friends at Mr. Bowles's beautiful home "Oak Spring," after January 1st.

Pedigo—Tucker. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ROANOKE, VA., Dec. 14.—Dr. A. Lincoln Pedigo, druggist of Vinton, and Miss Daisy Dean Tucker, of Petersburg, were married this morning at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. J. H. Upson, in Vinton, Rev. E. E. Lamb, pastor of the Baptist Church, officiating.

Braddon—Gibbs. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Dec. 14.—Mr. Charles Braddon, of this city, and Miss Lottie Gibbs, of King George county, were married today at the home of the bride, Mr. Lee Brauer, of this city, was best man, and Miss Annie Gibbs maid of honor. After a short trip the young couple will reside here.

Watson—Bledsoe. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ORANGE, VA., Dec. 14.—Mr. James Watson, of New Market, and Mrs. Bledsoe were married in the parlor of the Hotel Coleman, in this place, this evening. Rev. Mr. Avingfield, pastor of the Baptist Church, Gordonsville, officiating.

Terrill—Kendall. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ORANGE, VA., Dec. 14.—Miss Fannie E. Kendall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Kendall, of this county, was united in marriage to Mr. John B. Terrill this morning at North Plunkney Church, Rev. W. J. Decker officiating.

NEW BANK.

Tom Snead Sentenced for Stealing—Many Other Charges. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) RADFORD, VA., Dec. 14.—The Farmers and Merchants Bank will be opened at East Radford about the middle of January with Mr. W. W. Galway, cashier. At a large meeting of the citizens, held last night, the following directors were elected: J. F. Allen, Frank Cassell, J. N. Carden and W. H. Galway. They were directed to select a president, secure proper furnishings and fixtures and open business as soon as possible.

Most of the stock has already been taken.

In the Hustings Court to-day Tom Snead was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary for stealing \$100 from the Glens, on the night of October 10th. Snead is being tried for breaking the jaw of Harry Snyder near Glens, on the same night. There are a number of indictments against him, burglary, among others.

MESSENGER STABBED.

Western Union Boy Is Cut in the Side by a Negro.

David Bucher, a Western Union Messenger boy, was stabbed in the side and painfully, though not seriously, hurt by a negro yesterday about 1 o'clock at Munford and Calhoun Streets, and though the police are looking into the case, no arrest had been made last night. The boy lives at No. 720 Brook Avenue, and claims that he was proceeding to deliver a message when he was accosted by two negroes, one of whom stabbed him and ran.

At the offices of the company last night it was stated that for some time there has been similar trouble with the negroes in Jackson Ward, and that often policemen have been secured to accompany the messengers to deliver messages in that section of the city. It is believed that the negroes are jealous of the white boys who are called messengers.

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The Cotton Planter's Lament. At present the situation of the South is best expressed in the words of a Mississippi poet:

"Of all sad words by tongue or pen,
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—Atlanta Constitution.

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